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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of CenturyTel of Central Wisconsin, LLC, as a Telecommunications Utility, for Authority to Increase Interim Telephone Rates	2055-TR-101
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Application of Telephone USA of Wisconsin, LLC, as a Telecommunications Utility, for Authority to Increase Interim Telephone Rates	5846-TR-101
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**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING, ASSESSMENT OF COSTS,  
AND HEARING**

<b>Hearing Date:</b>	<b>Wednesday, June 27, 2001 – 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Hearing Location:</b>	<b>Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI</b>

**THIS IS A PROCEEDING** under Wis. Stat. § 196.20 to investigate the applications of CenturyTel of Central Wisconsin, LLC and Telephone USA, LLC (together, Applicants), for authority to increase access rates on an emergency basis. Applications were received on May 29, 2001, proposing to increase intrastate access rates to recover a portion of the projected revenue shortfall for each utility. No change is proposed to rates for local service.

In its November 3, 2000, order in dockets 2055-TR-100 and 5846-TR-100, the Commission stated that it would consider increases to intrastate access rates on an interim basis prior to the filing of a general rate case if the utilities could show a revenue deficiency. Thus, the only issues in the instant proceedings are: should access rates be increased for each of the Applicants and, if so, by how much.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The utilities are responsible for giving notice to their customers of the filing of their applications with the Commission and, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.73, for producing proof of notice at the hearing.

A hearing will be held beginning on June 27, 2001, at 9 a.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Any person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3) no later than 14 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge David C. Whitcomb, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director at (608) 267-0912. Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Tom Gross at (608) 267-2337.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, \_\_\_\_\_

By the Commission:

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Lynda L. Dorr  
Secretary to the Commission

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